

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	CASE NO. 8:07CR315
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
vs.)	TENTATIVE FINDINGS
)	
RODNEY JOHNSON,)	
)	
Defendant.)	

The Court has received the Revised Presentence Investigation Report ("PSR") and the Defendant's objections thereto (Filing No. 57). See Order on Sentencing Schedule, ¶ 6. The Court advises the parties that these Tentative Findings are issued with the understanding that, pursuant to *United States v. Booker*, 543 U.S. 220 (2005), the sentencing guidelines are advisory.

The Defendant argues that the PSR does not include a reduction for the safety valve. The issue will be addressed at sentencing, and the Defendant bears the burden by a preponderance of the evidence.

IT IS ORDERED:

1. The Defendant's Objections to the Presentence Investigation Report (Filing No. 57) will be heard at sentencing;
2. Otherwise the Court's tentative findings are that the Presentence Investigation Report is correct in all respects;
3. If **any** party wishes to challenge these tentative findings, the party shall immediately file in the court file and serve upon opposing counsel and the Court a motion challenging these tentative findings, supported by (a) such evidentiary materials as are

required (giving due regard to the requirements of the local rules of practice respecting the submission of evidentiary materials), (b) a brief as to the law, and (c) if an evidentiary hearing is requested, a statement describing why an evidentiary hearing is necessary and an estimated length of time for the hearing;

4. Absent submission of the information required by paragraph 3 of this Order, my tentative findings may become final; and

5. Unless otherwise ordered, any motion challenging these tentative findings shall be resolved at sentencing.

DATED this 30th day of June, 2008.

BY THE COURT:

s/Laurie Smith Camp
United States District Judge